

# **FISCAL NOTE**

## **SB 304 - HB 704**

February 12, 2001

**SUMMARY OF BILL:** Adds vision screening to the admission requirements to public school, nursery school, kindergarten, preschool and child care. An appropriate medical provider must perform the test and it encourages parents to obtain vision screening within six months of the third grade.

### **ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:**

#### **Increase State Expenditures - Not Significant**

The Department of Health currently does vision screenings on children that receive EPSDT exams (covered by TennCare), those requesting pre-school physicals and any child receiving a well child exam. This screening meets the requirements of the American Academy of Pediatrics, a standard required by the bill.

Any increase in vision screenings as a result of the bill can be accomplished within existing resources.

### **CERTIFICATION:**

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.



James A. Davenport, Executive Director

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